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SUBJECT: SPECIAL MEETING ON SPERM WHALES, SCIENTIFIC
COMMITTEE OF THE INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION (IWC),
MARCH 16-23, 1976, LA JOLLA, CALIFORNIA

1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING LETTER FROM DR. ROBERT
M. WHITE, UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER, IWC, TO DR. I.V.
NIKONOROV, SOVIET COMMISSIONER TO IWC, GLAVRYDBVOD,
V. KRASNOSELSKOYA, UL., 17, MOSCOW B.140.

2. QUOTE

DEAR DR. NIKONOROV:

AS YOU ARE AWARE, THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE OF THE
INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION (IWC) IS HOLDING A SPECIAL
MEETING ON SPERM WHALES CHAIRED BY DR. RAY GAMBELL OF THE
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UNITED KINGDOM. THE UNITED STATES IS HOSTING THE MEETING

IN LA JOLLA, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 16-23, 1976.

ALTHOUGH IT IS NECESSARY FOR YOU TO SUBMITT THE NAMES OF THE SOVIET SCIENTISTS WHO WILL ATTEND THROUGH REGULAR CHANNELS FOR CLEARANCE BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, I WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING THE NAMES OF THE SCIENTISTS WHO WILL ATTEND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR.

SIGNED R. M. WHITE
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3. FOR LONDON: REQUEST EMBASSY INFORM DR. RAY GAMBELL, WHALE RESEARCH UNIT, BRITISH MUSEUM, OF CONTENTS OF PARAGRAPH 2. PLEASE ASSURE DR. GAMBELL UNITED STATES EXPECTS TO OBTAIN NECESSARY CLEARANCES FOR SOVIETS TO ATTEND SUBJECT MEETING. REQUEST EMBASSY ASK DR. GAMBELL TO PROVIDE US WITH INFORMATION AS TO WHICH SOVIET SCIENTISTS WILL ATTEND SUBJECT MEETING WHEN HE RECEIVES IT.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY ASK MR. STACEY, IWC SECRETARY, IF DR. GAMBELL HAS ACCEPTED POSITION OF IWC SECRETARY. REPLY REQUESTED SOONEST. KISSINGER

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